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## OLR Bill Analysis

**sHB 5462 (as amended by House "A")\***

***AN ACT REQUIRING THE SUSPENSION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE FOR MULTIPLE OCCURRENCES OF OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITHOUT A LICENSE.***

**SUMMARY:**

PA 11-48 and PA 11-51, effective January 1, 2012, eliminated an alcohol and drug addiction treatment program required for individuals whose (1) motor vehicle license or nonresident operating privilege was suspended for a conviction of driving under the influence or two or more administrative per se violations or (2) boating certificate was suspended or revoked for 2<sup>nd</sup> degree manslaughter with a vessel (which involves operating under the influence), operating a vessel while under the influence, or 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree reckless operation of a vessel while under the influence. The motor vehicles commissioner could not reinstate the license, privilege, or certificate until the individual submitted evidence of compliance.

This bill allows an individual (1) whose license, privilege, or certificate was suspended or revoked, as explained above, on or before December 31, 2011, and (2) who was participating in, or eligible to participate in, the treatment program, to complete the program or an equivalent program the commissioner designates, and seek reinstatement of his or her license or privilege. (The bill does not refer to reinstatement of a boating certificate, although reinstatement would presumably apply to a certificate as well.)

Such an individual can seek reinstatement if he or she (1) begins participating in such a program by August 1, 2012, (2) submits evidence to the commissioner by June 30, 2014, that he or she has complied with the statutory requirements in effect on December 31, 2011, and (3) is otherwise eligible to have his or her license reinstated.

(This would presumably also apply to reinstatement of boating certificates and driving privileges.)

\*House Amendment "A" replaces the underlying bill (File 448), which dealt with people convicted of driving without a license for a second or subsequent time.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 37 Nay 0 (03/14/2012)

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 45 Nay 0 (03/28/2012)